

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 are currently allowed in the application; Claims 1, 22, and 25 having been presently amended.

Claims 1, 22, and 25 has been amended to correct various informalities and to recite Applicants' invention with varying claim language. In Claim 1, the term "document usage permission reception unit" has been amended to recite a "document usage request reception unit" to describe that the reception unit receives a document usage request. The amended claim language is consistent with the specification.¹ Applicants respectfully submit that the above amendments does not raise a new issue requiring further search and/or consideration.

Applicants respectfully request that the above-amendment be entered in accordance with MPEP § 714.16.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ See, for example, figure 3 and page 8, line 10 to page 9, line 2 and page 24, line 12 to page 31, line 9 of the specification.